

99th Trooper Basic Training Class Graduates

At a ceremony held in the Capitol Rotunda March 30, 2012, 44 Washington State Patrol troopers were sworn in by Retired Washington State Supreme Court Justice Gerry L. Alexander, they were presented their commission cards by Governor Christine Gregoire and Chief John R. Batiste, who welcomed them into an organization known and trusted by the citizens of Washington State.

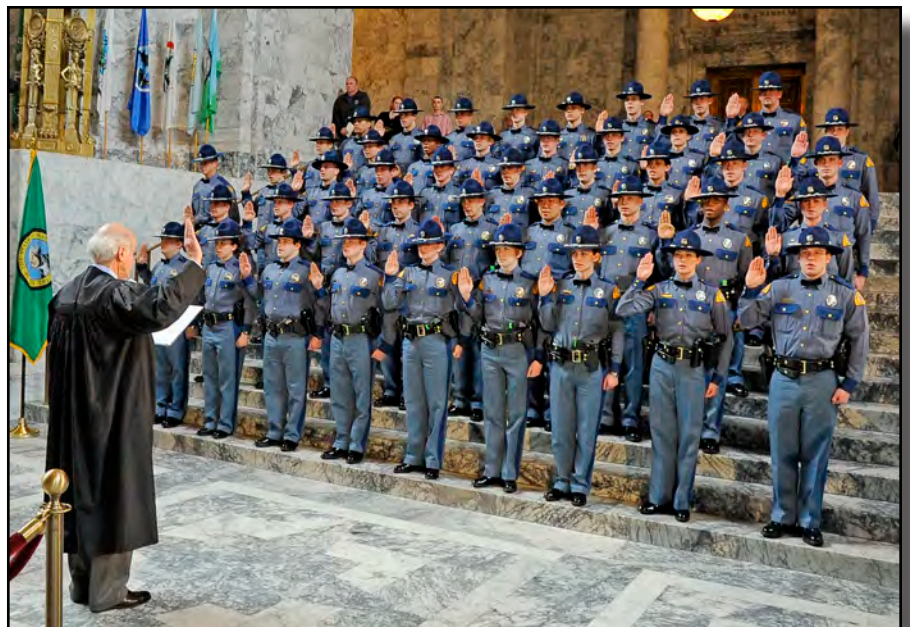
After completing 18 weeks of rigorous training at the State Patrol's Academy, and another eight weeks working the road with experienced troopers, these men and women will now join Washington's premier law enforcement organization. The WSP Academy only produces approximately three cadet classes each biennium, which accounts for about 120 new troopers. Historically, only about three percent of the total number of applicants make the grade to become WSP Troopers.

"Today we celebrate these fine men and women who successfully completed the tough and demanding training we require of them to be a trooper," said Chief Batiste. "We wish them all well as they start their new challenging, but extremely rewarding careers, serving the people of our state as Washington State Troopers."

Over 90 years ago on June 8, 1921, six brave men kick-started their Indian motorcycles, strapped on an arm band, and started a proud tradition known today as the Washington State Patrol. The tradition continued with the graduation of the 99th Trooper Basic Training Class at the Capitol Rotunda.

During the ceremony, the Core Values Award was presented to Trooper Ryan O. Dacey. This award is presented to the trooper cadet who most typifies the Training Division Core Values, which includes Honesty, Integrity, Team-Oriented, Attention to Detail, Adaptability, Self-Discipline, Performance-Driven, Professionalism, Officer Safety, and Sense of Urgency.

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Retired Washington State Supreme Court Justice Gerry L. Alexander swears in the 44 new troopers on the steps inside the Capitol Rotunda. The ceremony was performed in front of family, friends, dignitaries, special guests and fellow WSP employees.

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The recipient of this award is determined by an anonymous vote of his/her classmates, and is sponsored by the Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation to honor the most recent State Patrol employee who gave their life in service to the citizens of the state of Washington. For the past nine years, Billie Saunders, wife of Trooper Jim Saunders, who was killed on October 7, 1999, presented the Core Values Award. This year, Billie Saunders was accompanied by Erick Radulescu, son of Trooper Tony Radulescu, who was killed in the line of duty on February 23, 2012. Erick Radulescu presented the award to Trooper Dacey in honor of his father.



U.S. Army Specialist Erick Radulescu presented the Core Values Award to Trooper Ryan O. Dacey. Standing with Radulescu was Governor Chris Gregoire, Billie Saunders and Chief John Batiste.



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99th Trooper Basic Training Class Top Award Winners



Top Firearms Award

Presented to Trooper Theodore M. Shook; this award recognizes the highest level of proficiency with all weapon systems, marksmanship scores and skills, and demonstration of sound judgment during practical encounter scenarios (110 hours).



Top Collision Investigation Award

Presented to Trooper Anatoliy Nazariya; this award recognizes the highest level of proficiency regarding collision investigation, including mathematical computation, scene investigation, information and evidence gathering, report writing, and teamwork (64 hours).



Top Academic Award

Presented to Trooper Susan Harbour; this award recognizes the outstanding efforts of the cadet who attains the highest Grade Point Average compiled from over 30 tests and quizzes during training. The class average GPA for the 99th Trooper Basic Training Class was 89%; Trooper Harbour's GPA was an impressive 95%.



Top Fitness Award

Presented to Trooper Jordon Hillstrom; this award recognizes the highest level of drive and tenacity in physical fitness testing and training, and control tactics training. Trooper Hillstrom led the way by out-scoring his classmates repeatedly, and scoring above 90% in every event, and every time he was tested.



Top Overall Cadet Award

Presented to Trooper David F. Kiehl; this award recognizes the trooper cadet who demonstrated great courage to overcome obstacles, unwavering dedication to stay focused on reaching their goals, and their ability to give 100% in every aspect of their training. Trooper Kiehl demonstrated the necessary skills, abilities, and judgment to be an excellent trooper, and made extra efforts to continuously make improvements.



Top Driving Award

Presented to Trooper Michael R. Johnson; this award recognizes the highest level of proficiency with respect to driving skills and techniques, decision-making and mind-set, and steady and constant improvement through each phase of driver training (104 hours).

99th Trooper Basic Graduating Class With Family Members in Law Enforcement



Trooper Brooke Bova with fiancé Trooper Ryan Aston, District 8, Hoquiam.



Trooper Theodore Shook with his father Washington State Parks Ranger 3 Morris Shook.



Trooper Michael Christensen with father (left) Michael Christensen, Sunnyside Police Dept., his father-in-law (right) James Rivard, Retired Sergeant Sunnyside Police Dept., and Mary Moore (Cook Supervisor at WSP Academy and sister to James Rivard).



Trooper Christopher Bruner with his uncle Trooper Detective Major Bambino, Criminal Investigation Division.



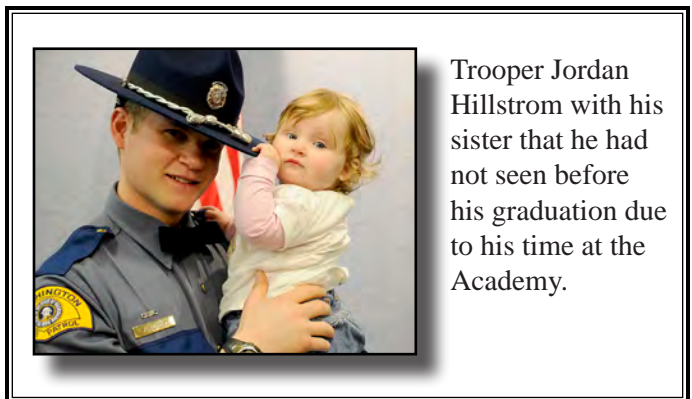
Trooper Tanya Wright with her father Retired Lieutenant Robert S. Wright, District 7, Marysville.



Trooper Kathryn Chovil-Peterson with mother Trooper Elizabeth McCourt, District 7, Marysville, and step-father Trooper Jon Galde, District 7, Marysville.



Trooper Chad Prentice with his uncle Detective Sergeant Dan Sharp, Criminal Investigation Division.



Trooper Jordan Hillstrom with his sister that he had not seen before his graduation due to his time at the Academy.

Radulescu Posthumously Awarded Washington State Law Enforcement Medal of Honor

On May 4, 2012, Washington State Patrol Trooper Tony Radulescu was posthumously awarded the Washington State Law Enforcement Medal of Honor in a ceremony at the Law Enforcement Memorial on the State Capitol Campus.

Governor Chris Gregoire and Attorney General Rob McKenna awarded what is Washington State's highest law enforcement award. The medal is given to officers who made the ultimate sacrifice or have displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct.

The 2012 recipients of the Medal of Honor for Posthumous Service:

- Officer Jayme L. Biendl, Department of Corrections
- Trooper Tony V. Radulescu, Washington State Patrol

Tony's son, Erick Radulescu, received the award from Governor Chris Gregoire.

Since 1855, more than 290 law enforcement officers have been killed in the line of duty in the state of Washington.



Firefighters Graduate from Fire Academy

On April 20, 2012, 30 firefighters graduated from the Washington State Fire Training Academy, North Bend. The graduation ceremony was held at the Criminal Justice Training Center in Burien.

On January 26, 2012, these 30 recruits started the 12-week Recruit Academy that meets National Fire Protection Association 1001 Standard for Firefighter Professional Qualifications at the Firefighter I & II, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Operations Levels.

Graduating firefighters have learned basic fire service principles through classroom instruction and rigorous hands-on live fire training.



The graduates represent 16 different fire departments from around the state.

Did You Get Help When You Needed It? Thank a Dispatcher

The week of April 8-14, 2012, was National Telecommunicator Week, intended to honor the first link in the chain of emergency police, fire and medical responses. On Thursday, April 12, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., the WSP Communications Division displayed equipment used by dispatchers in the State Patrol and public education material for calling 9-1-1.

If you've ever been the victim of a crime, been in a collision, reported a fire, or needed emergency medical help, you've called 9-1-1 and been helped by a telecommunicator.

"Dispatchers are usually the first people to know when something really bad has happened," said State Patrol Chief John R. Batiste. "We count on them to get our emergency response off on the right foot, and they invariably come through with flying colors."

Batiste knows the job. As a young State Patrol cadet, he was assigned to WSP's Communications Division. He says not only are dispatchers a lifeline for the public, but for emergency responders as well.

After the recent murder of State Trooper Tony Radulescu, State Patrol Communications Officers were the first ones to send help. They quickly realized Trooper Radulescu was not answering his radio and sent other officers to check on his welfare. The troopers on the road and emergency responders in general recognize the radio as their "lifeline" during a crisis.



Left to right, Communications Officer 2 Dolores Blas-Cazares, Kim Wilson and Communications Officer 4 Carrie Gordon.

New Arming Class Begins

Cadets with the 24th Arming class are now a number of weeks into their training at the WSP Academy. During their first weeks at the Academy cadets received their uniforms; learned about Academy life; had room, weapon, uniform, and equipment inspections; had fitness training; learned how to march and stand in formation; conducted weapons training; and participated in Pit Reinforcement Training. This is just the start of their education about being a trooper with the Washington State Patrol.



Fallen Officers Honored at WSP Memorial Foundation Dinner

The Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation Dinner was held on April 28, 2012, at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick. Our 27 WSP officers who lost their lives in the line of duty were honored. Family members of the following fallen officers attended the dinner and were our honored guests:

- Trooper Tony Radulescu died in the line of duty February 23, 2012
- Trooper James Saunders died in the line of duty October 7, 1999
- Trooper Steven Frink died in the line of duty March 22, 1993
- Trooper Cliff Hansell died in the line of duty July 22, 1987
- Trooper James Gain died in the line of duty March 2, 1987
- Trooper Glenda Thomas died in the line of duty May 24, 1985
- Officer Joseph Modlin died in the line of duty August 15, 1974
- Trooper Frank Noble died in the line of duty February 5, 1972

Trooper Ryan Dacey and Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer Jeremy Marceau (Core Values Award recipients) read the names of our fallen officers.

There were 434 people in attendance at the 30th annual Memorial Foundation Dinner. During the evening, Governor Chris Gregoire, Chief John Batiste, Captain Bob Johnson, and members of District 8 - Detachment 3 presented Erick Radulescu the IACP Tribute to Slain Officers, in honor of his father, Trooper Tony Radulescu.

The \$27,500 net proceeds from the dinner, auction and raffle will be placed into the WSP Memorial Foundation Fallen Officers Children's College Education Account.

The top two raffle winners were:

- Melissa Van Gorkom – Trip for two to Victoria, Canada
- Luanne Mason – WSDOT Memorial Foundation Basket – Included three \$50 gift cards and DOT items (Donated by WSDOT Memorial Foundation)

The date and location for the 2013 WSP Memorial Foundation Dinner has yet to be determined.



Governor Chris Gregoire and Chief John Batiste presented Erick Radulescu the IACP Tribute to Slain Officers, in honor of his father, Trooper Tony Radulescu. Included in the photo is Captain Bob Johnson and troopers from Tony Radulescu's detachment.



The Washington State Patrol and Fish & Wildlife Police Joint Chaplain Program is Now Available to Our Employees

A new non-profit charitable foundation has just been approved, called the Washington State Troopers and Fish & Wildlife Police Care Foundation, serving the needs of our WSP/WDFW joint Chaplain program. As you may be aware, the state of Washington is unable to fund the chaplaincy with state revenue. Chief Batiste said recently, “The Chaplain program is something I have wanted to implement since becoming Chief. This program is the third leg on a three-prong stool of mental, physical, and now spiritual care available to our employees and their families.”

The Washington State Troopers and Fish & Wildlife Police Care Foundation not only cares for employees, but it is a way for all employees to make sure the public they serve is cared for in a time of crisis and tragedy - not only on the state’s highways, but disasters that occur from dangerous animal attacks, water recreational related mishaps, lost hunters or fatal hunting accidents.

This program is expanding statewide as Senior Chaplain Neil continues to recruit volunteer chaplains. Currently Chaplain Frank Gillock serves in Pacific County, Ken Bailey in Kitsap, Mike Boisture in Pierce, and Tim Snyder in Grant County. We are waiting for the backgrounds to be completed in King, Snohomish, Grays Harbor, Thurston, Cowlitz and Klickitat Counties.

The job of a law enforcement officer can be very stressful, causing difficulty in family lives. Chaplains are trained in crisis intervention, pastoral care and marriage counseling. This can help a trooper or Fish and Wildlife officer to stay on the job and preserve the huge investment the state has made in their professional career development.

Chaplain Neil has been very busy this year, first with the murder of National Park Ranger Margaret Anderson on January 1, and then with our own Trooper Tony Radulescu in February. “Our Chaplain Program couldn’t have come along at a better time for this agency,” said Chief Batiste.

The Troopers and Fish & Wildlife Police Care Foundation is a tax-deductible 501c3 non-profit charity. If you would like to support this program as a state employee, you can locate it through the Washington State Combined Fund Drive website (<http://www.cfd.wa.gov/>) and search the name or Charity #1480992 to make a contribution through payroll deduction.

“Chaplain Neil has given of himself over and above our expectations, receiving the 2011 Volunteer of the Year award for his efforts. In my estimation,” said Chief Batiste, “he has earned the support of every individual in our department.”



(Above) Trooper Jason Greer stands with fellow police officers on stage in front of the U.S. Capitol as President Barack Obama addresses the crowd during the National Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony.



(Right) Trooper Jason Greer and Lieutenant Mike Turcott, representing WSP Honor Guard, placed a photo of Trooper Tony Radulescu next to the photo of Trooper James Saunders at the National Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, DC.

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Captain
Randall F. Drake



Captain
Kenneth E. Noland



Luci A. Stewart

Randall F. Drake was appointed to Staff Captain effective March 16, 2012, assigned to the Homeland Security Division.

Drake was born in Aberdeen and graduated from Sequim High School in Sequim, Washington. He was honorably discharged from the United States Army in 1991 after four years of service in the 6th Cavalry Brigade at Fort Hood, Texas. He attended Olympic College where he earned an Associate of Arts and Sciences Degree in Criminal Justice Administration. Drake received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice from Washington State University in 2008. He has just completed his Master's Degree in Missional Leadership from Northwest University.

Drake began his employment with the Washington State Patrol as a trooper cadet on May 11, 1992, assigned to Mansion Security in Olympia. He graduated with the 76th Trooper Basic Training Class and was commissioned on May 27, 1993, assigned to Seattle.

On August 1, 1996, Drake transferred to Port Angeles. He was promoted to the rank of RCW Sergeant on November 21, 1997,

assigned to Bremerton.

On April 19, 1999, Drake was appointed detective sergeant assigned to the Investigative Assistance Division, West Sound Narcotics Enforcement Team (WESTNET).

Drake was promoted to RCW Lieutenant on September 1, 2006, remaining in the Investigative Assistance Division Narcotics Section, and later became the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) commander.

Most recently, Drake served as commander of the Organized Crime Intelligence Unit and Director of the Washington State Fusion Center.

Kenneth E. Noland was promoted to Staff Captain on January 23, 2012, in charge of District 1, Tacoma.

Noland was born in Tacoma and graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in Tacoma.

Noland began his employment with the Washington State Patrol on October 29, 1990, as a trooper cadet assigned to Olympia Operations. He was commissioned as a trooper on June 28, 1991, assigned to Bellevue.

On May 10, 1994, Noland was selected as Auto Theft Trooper of the

Year. He transferred to Gig Harbor on October 17, 1994. Noland was selected as Trooper of the Year for 1998.

On September 20, 1999, he was promoted to RCW Sergeant assigned to Tacoma.

Noland was appointed staff detective sergeant on December 2, 2002, assigned to the Traffic Investigation Unit. On July 15, 2005, Noland was promoted to RCW Lieutenant, assigned to Bremerton.

He transferred to District 1, Tacoma, on June 1, 2010.

Luci A. Stewart was promoted to Program Coordinator with the Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area effective April 1, 2012.

Stewart began her career with the Washington State Patrol on September 21, 1992, as a Data Entry Operator 2 in the Records Section. On February 22, 1994, she transferred to Human Resource Services in Lacey.

Stewart was promoted to Clerk Typist 3 in Human Resource Services on January 5, 1995. On May 13, 1996, she was promoted to Secretary 1-Typing with the Identification Section.

Stewart received a temporary appointment, lasting one year, as a Fingerprint Technician 1 with the Identification Section on October 28, 1996.

Stewart returned to her permanent position with the Identification Section on September 1, 1997, which had been reallocated to Secretary Lead. She was promoted to a Secretary Administrative position with the Administrative Division on July 19, 1999.

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On December 1, 2000, Stewart transferred to the Crime Laboratory Division. She was promoted to a Secretary Supervisor with the Human Resource Division on January 1, 2001.

In July 2002, Stewart accepted a position with the Thurston County Clerk's Office as a Judicial Proceedings Specialist. She returned to the WSP as a Criminal Intelligence Specialist 1, Washington Management Service Band 1, with the Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area.

On April 30, 2006, Stewart transferred within Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area to a Project Research Analyst 3 position. On February 18, 2007, she was promoted to a Washington Management Service Band 1 position within the Northwest High Intensity Drug Trafficking area as the Analytical Unit Manager.

Stewart was promoted within the Investigative Assistance Division, Missing Persons Unit as a Communications Consultant 4 on February 16, 2008. On May 1, 2009, Stewart's position was reallocated to a Program Specialist 4.

Promotions

Tufts, Jodi M., Forms and Records Analyst 1, D1 East Pierce, eff: 09/13/11;

Barnes, Vanessa C., Communications Officer 2, Bellevue Communications, eff: 03/01/12;

Bell, Rod A.F., Information Technology Specialist 4, Information Technology Division, eff: 03/01/12;

Skean, Bonnie M., Customer Service Specialist 2, Criminal Records Division, eff: 03/01/12;

Wyatt, David L., Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer 2, Regulation 1 Compliance Review, eff: 03/01/12;

Cox, Dawn E., Forensic Scientist 3, Toxicology Laboratory Division, eff: 03/16/12;

Aspiras, Lourdes Q., Criminal Records Technicians 1, Criminal Records Division, eff: 04/01/12;

Ochocka, Klaudia, Fingerprint Technician 2, Criminal Records Division Tenprint, eff: 04/16/12;

Batiste, Johnna M., Trooper Cadet Training Cadet Class, eff: 4/27/2012.

WSP Service Pins

35 years

Trooper Thomas Nickelson, April 18;
Lynn McIntyre, Crime Lab Division Commander, May 9.

25 years

CVEO 3 George Brown, April 1;
Captain Jeffery Otis, April 10;
Trooper Robert Fiorentino, April 16;
Trooper Major Bambino, April 24;
Trooper James McCarthy, April 24;
Trooper Robert Minor, April 24.

20 years

Trooper David Hintz, April 6;
CVEO 2 Jeffery MacChione, April 6;
Trooper Ruth Medeiros, April 6;
CVEO 2 Thomas Munafò, April 6;
CVEO 2 Larry Pasco, April 6;
Trooper Robert Wood, April 6;
Lieutenant Kristene O'Shannon, April 13;
Mark Fields, Communications Officer 3, April 20;
Trooper Randall Gasseling, May 4;
Sergeant Michael Marken, May 4;

Sergeant Theodore DeHart, May 11;
Captain Randall Drake, May 11;
Trooper Javan James, May 11;
Trooper John Atkinson, May 18.

15 years

Patricia Blowers, Custodian 1, April 28;
Lydia Graham, Cook 1, May 5;
Trooper Aaron Belt, May 12;
Sergeant Jody Metz, May 12;
Sergeant Sam Ramirez, May 12;
Amber Moniz, Communications Officer 2, May 16;
Trooper Todd Gates, May 19;
Yvette Jones, Washington Management Services Band 2, May 19;
Tina Simmons, Information Technology Specialist 5, May 26.

10 years

Tania Johnson, Information Technology / Application Specialist 6, April 1;
Linda Jetton, Information Technology Specialist 3, April 29;
Kathy Geil, Forensic Scientist 3, May 13;
Philip Hodge, Forensic Scientist 3, May 15;
Gary Shutler, Washington Management Services Band 3, May 21.

5 years

Paige Groner-Himes, Research Analyst 2, April 1;
Michael York, Washington Management Services Band 3, April 1;
Sharon Herbelin, Forensic Scientist 3, April 9;
Catherine Bill, Fingerprint Technician 2, April 12;
Trooper Nigel Bolson, April 16;
Trooper Jay Farmer, April 16;
Trooper John Mendenhall, April 16;

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Marion Brown, Property and Evidence Custodian, May 4;
Christopher Molenda, Information Technology Specialist 3, May 16;
Kathryn Sattarov, Research Analyst 4, May 16;
Susan Wilson, Forensic Scientist 3, May 16;
Trooper Aaron Bartlett, May 22;
Trooper Travis Calton, May 22;
Trooper Michael Dominguez, May 22;
Trooper Kevin Fortino, May 22;
Trooper Trevor Herrud, May 22;
CVEO 2 Donald Knoop, May 22;
Trooper Michael Langdon Jr., May 22;
Trooper Justin Maier, May 22;
Trooper Matt Prether, May 22;
Trooper Debra Shearer, May 22;
Trooper Daniel Shelby, May 22;
Trooper Thomas Zielinski, May 22;
Brianna Peterson, Forensic Scientist 3, May 29.

Edith I. Tuff, 84, of Fargo, North Dakota, grandmother of **Nicole Footh**, Office Assistant 3, District 8, Naselle Detachment, and mother of recently retired **Kathy Paulson**, Information Technology Division ACCESS support staff, passed away on April 3.

James D. Blanchard, retired lieutenant with the Pierce County Sheriff's office and father of Kimberly Sweetman (wife of **Trooper Felix Sweetman**) passed away on April 9 at St. Claire Hospital in Lakewood.

Mr. James McKercher, 86, grandfather of **Trooper Matthew Phillips**, passed away from natural causes on April 17 in southern California.

Sandy Cobb, 63, mother of **Captain Jeff Sass** and mother-in-law of **Forensic Scientist 5 Jodi Sass**, passed away on May 4 in Mount Vernon, Washington.

Deaths

Gerald Ames Sr., father of **Trooper Gerald Ames**, passed away unexpectedly on March 19.

Lieselotte (Lisa) Thomas, mother of **Sergeant Erick Thomas**, passed away on March 23 in DuPont, following a long illness.

Leonard B. Hanson M. D., 87, father of **Sergeant Eric C. Hanson**, passed away on March 24 in McMinnville, OR, from stroke complications he endured since 2010.

Sharon Colello, 62, mother of **Trooper Kathryn Colello-Bidewell**, passed away after an extended illness on March 25.

Retired Captain John E. Alongi, 94, passed away on April 8

Alongi was born in Roy, Washington on April 11, 1917. He graduated from Yelm Union High School in Yelm.

Alongi began his career with the Washington State Patrol on May 27, 1940, as a clerk and was assigned to Vancouver.

On March 11, 1942, Alongi enlisted in the United States military and served two years and ten months before returning to the Washington State Patrol.

Alongi was commissioned as a patrolman on February 1, 1945, and was assigned to Spokane. On March 1, 1946, he transferred to Olympia.

Alongi was promoted to RCW Sergeant on July 15, 1960, and transferred back to Spokane. On January 4, 1963, he transferred to Olympia to assist the personnel director, and on December 8, 1969, was assigned to Civil Defense Headquarters.

Alongi was promoted to Lieutenant on January 1, 1970, where he continued to work in Civil Defense. On June 1, 1971, he transferred to Capitol Security Patrol in Olympia. Alongi was promoted to Captain on November 1, 1971, and was assigned to Capital Security Headquarters in Olympia.

On June 27, 1974, Alongi retired after over 34 years of service with the Washington State Patrol.

Photo showing Captain John Alongi in 1973.



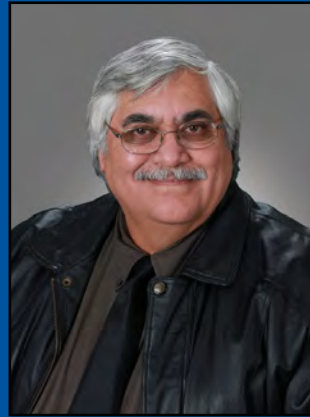
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CVEO 2
Terry L. Cox



Captain
Kenneth A. Ginnard



Richard A. Gonzalez

Terry L. Cox retired on March 31, 2012, after more than 20 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Cox was born in Hoquiam and graduated from Moclips High School in Moclips, Washington. He served four years active military time in the United States Army. He received an Associate of Arts Degree in Civil Engineering from Shoreline Community College. He was partners with his father in a logging and trucking company prior to beginning his employment with the Washington State Patrol.

Cox began his employment with the Washington State Patrol on February 10, 1992, as a Project Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer 1 in Moses Lake.

He transferred to a non-project position on December 19, 1994, and remained in Moses Lake.

On September 1, 2002, Cox was promoted to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer 2, assigned to Wenatchee. He transferred to Ephrata on February 1, 2008, where he remained the rest of his career.

Kenneth A. Ginnard retired after more than 27 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Ginnard was born in Everett and graduated from Cascade High School in Everett.

He began his employment with the Washington State Patrol on August 6, 1984, as a trooper cadet assigned to Mansion Security. Ginnard graduated with the 61st Trooper Basic Training Class and was commissioned on July 31, 1985, assigned to Everett.

On October 25, 1991, Ginnard was promoted to RCW Sergeant, assigned to Kelso. He transferred to Spokane on January 19, 1993, and on September 27, 1993, transferred to Seattle. He transferred back to Kelso on May 2, 1994, and on March 20, 1997, transferred to Marysville.

Ginnard was appointed Staff Detective Sergeant on August 24, 1998, assigned to the Interlocal Drug Enforcement Unit in Mount Vernon.

He was promoted to RCW Lieutenant on November 18, 2005, assigned to Burlington.

On May 16, 2008, he transferred

to Marysville.

Ginnard was appointed to Staff Captain on June 1, 2009, assigned to District 7, Marysville. He transferred to Bellevue on September 26, 2011, where he remained until his retirement.

Richard A. Gonzalez retired on April 2, 2012, after more than six years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the

state of Washington.

Gonzalez was born in Morenci, Arizona and graduated from Hilltop High School located in Chula Vista, California. He served in the United States Air Force for over three years and was honorably discharged as a Sergeant.

Gonzalez began his employment with the Washington State Patrol on December 27, 2005, as a Senior Telecommunications Specialist with the Electronic Services Division.

He transferred to a senior Telecommunications Specialist position located in Yakima on June 1, 2007, where he remained for the rest of career.

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VIN Officer 2
Ki C. Nam



Kathy E. Paulson



Sergeant
Kenneth J. Przygocki

Operations Analyst 2 on September 20, 1995. She was reassigned to the Criminal Records Division within the ACCESS Section in May of 1995.

Paulson served several emergency appointments as an Information Technology Systems Specialist 4 with the ACCESS Section. Her position was reallocated from an Information Technology Systems Specialist 2 to an Information Technology Specialist 3 within the

Ki C. Nam retired on February 29, 2012, after more than 17 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the State of Washington.

Nam was born in Namwon – Chonbuk, South Korea. He retired from the United States Army after 20 years of service.

Nam began his employment with the Washington State Patrol as a Vehicle Identification Number Inspector in South Seattle on March 6, 1995. He transferred to Vancouver on May 7, 1996.

Nam accepted a position with the Washington State Gambling Commission on March 1, 1999.

On August 23, 1999, Nam returned to the State Patrol as a temporary Vehicle Identification Number Inspector in Vancouver.

Nam was permanently appointed as a Vehicle Identification Number Inspector on May 17, 2000.

He was promoted to a Vehicle Identification Number Officer 2 on November 1, 2000. Nam accepted a position as a Fingerprint Technician 1 in the Identification and Criminal History Section with the Criminal

Records Division on July 1, 2001.

On May 20, 2002, he was elevated back to a Vehicle Identification Number Officer 2 stationed in Tacoma. Nam transferred to Yakima on November 18, 2002. On March 1, 2003, he returned to Tacoma where he continued his work as a VIN Officer until his retirement.

Kathy E. Paulson retired on March 31, 2012, after more than 23 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Paulson was born in Rugby, North Dakota, and graduated from Rugby High School.

Paulson began her employment with the Washington State Patrol as a Data Communications Technician 3 with the ACCESS Section on May 9, 1988. Her position was then reassigned to report to the Data Center on October 3, 1994, with the Computer Services Division.

She began an in-training appointment as a relief/graveyard Data Communications Technician 3, on March 20, 1995.

Paulson promoted to a Computer

ACCESS Section on January 1, 2004.

Paulson was then appointed from an in-training position as a Information Technology Systems Specialist 3 to an Information Technology Systems Specialist 4 effective May 16, 2005. Her position was then reallocated from an Information Technology Systems Specialist 3 to an Information Technology Specialist 3 on June 1, 2005.

On November 20, 2005, Paulson promoted to an Information Technology Specialist 4 with the Information Technology Division, where she remained for the remainder of her career.

Kenneth J. Przygocki retired on March 30, 2012, after more than 26 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Przygocki was born in Detroit, Michigan, and graduated from Cody High School in Detroit. He attended Madonna College in Livonia, Michigan. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from The Evergreen State College, and a Masters of Business Administration from American

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CVEO 1
Victor H. Sanders



CVEO 2
Beverly R. Wilson

Intercontinental University, Illinois.

Przygocki began his employment with the Washington State Patrol on February 3, 1986, as a trooper cadet, assigned to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement in Everett.

He graduated with the 63rd Trooper Basic Training Class and was commissioned on July 10, 1986, assigned to Port Townsend.

Przygocki was selected to be a member of the Honor Guard on November 17, 1986. He qualified as a bomb technician in February 1989. On February 2, 1995, Przygocki was promoted to RCW Sergeant assigned to Port Angeles.

In December 1996, Przygocki was assigned to the Investigative Assistance Division and served with the Clallam County Drug Task Force.

Przygocki was appointed as a detective sergeant assigned to the Office of Professional Standards, Internal Affairs Section, on August 2, 1999.

On February 13, 2002, he transferred back to Port Angeles.

Przygocki transferred to Bremerton on July 1, 2008, and to Bellevue on November 1, 2011, where

he remained until his retirement.

Victor H. Sanders retired on March 31, 2012, after more than nine years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Sanders was born in Raymond, Washington, and graduated from Davis High School in Yakima. He attended the Lower Columbia College in Longview, Washington. He also served for two years in the United States Army.

Sanders began his career with the Washington State Patrol on September 16, 2002, as a Commercial Vehicle Officer 1 assigned to the Bow Hill Port of Entry. He transferred to the Ridgefield Port of Entry on October 28, 2002.

On February 1, 2008, Sanders transferred to the Vancouver School Bus Program, where he remained until his retirement.

Beverly R. Wilson retired on March 1, 2012, after more than 20 years of dedicated service to the Washington State Patrol and to the citizens of the state of Washington.

Wilson was born in Sturgis, South Dakota, and graduated from Brown High School in Sturgis. She attended Black Hills State College, where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Sociology and Psychology.

Wilson began her career with the Washington State Patrol on February 3, 1992, as a Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer 1 assigned to Cle Elum. She transferred to Bellevue on July 16, 1993.

On June 28, 1996, her position was reallocated to Commercial Vehicle Officer 1.

Wilson was promoted to Commercial Vehicle Officer 2 on May 16, 2001, assigned to Bellevue. She was promoted to Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Officer 2 on August 1, 2007, remaining in Bellevue. On January 16, 2008, she transferred to Compliance Review South in Tumwater, where she remained until her retirement.

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The Washington State Patrol recognizes and honors the officers who served with distinction and died in the line of duty during the month of May.



Trooper William Pautzke died on May 8, 1930, at the age of 28. He died from injuries when he ran his motorcycle into the side of a gravel truck in the Burien area of Seattle en route to an investigation. At the time of his death, Trooper Pautzke served four years with the Washington State Patrol.



Trooper Glenda Thomas died on May 24, 1985, at the age of 29. She was killed while investigating a multi-vehicle collision on the north Seattle freeway. Trooper Thomas was standing between two vehicles at the collision scene when another car rear-ended one of the vehicles involved in the earlier collision, pinning her between two automobiles. At the time of her death, Trooper Thomas had served only six months with the Washington State Patrol as a trooper.



Trooper Thomas Hanlin died on May 26, 1945, at the age of 38. He died from injuries sustained 18 months after flipping his paddy wagon on the Mount Baker Highway near Deming. His injuries at first were considered minor bruises. Later diagnosis revealed a head injury.

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E-mail received via our Web site thanking Trooper William Knudson, District 5, for his professionalism and assistance at a collision scene.

Officer Knudson came to my accident on I-5 today, March 31, exit 36. He was very patient, calm, supportive, understanding, and helpful. I felt so bad, the last thing I needed was a lecture, and Officer Knudson understood this. He explained everything before and while he did things. He coordinated the moving, and towing of my car, always checking on my health, safety, and mental state, as my first major accident I was shaken.

I wanted to say thank you, make sure you got good recognition for a job well done, and ask if he had any information on the driver who stopped to wait with me, as I would like to extend a thank you to that man as well.

Lizzey Spinell

E-mail received via our Web site commending Trooper KC Scott for his professionalism and his roadside assistance.

I would like to commend Trooper K.C. Scott of the Walla Walla unit for roadside help on March 28. I was between Lewiston, Idaho, and Dayton, Washington, at about 8 p.m. when I hit something sharp that blew out my tire. I had a spare but no lug wrench. It was raining, I hadn't seen a car in over an hour, and in a cell phone hole so I couldn't call AAA. Within about 10 min., Trooper Scott showed up, checked out the truck and when he realized the situation, produced a lug wrench and held the light for me to change the tire. Scott being on patrol saved me hours at the very least and possibly worse. It was a dark, lonely road.

The goodwill and positive contact with the WSP from interactions like Trooper Scott's have the ability to change the way people view your organization. While I know you'll also be there if I'm going a little too fast, that contact totally changed how I see the WSP.

Thank you,

Jeff Moore
Joseph, Oregon

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Retirees Calendar

District 1 - *First Wednesday*, monthly luncheon, 11:00 a.m., Nickelby's, 600 Trosper Road. S.W., Tumwater.

- *First Friday*, the breakfast group meets monthly at 9:00 a.m. at the Homestead Restaurant in Tacoma, 7837 South Tacoma Way, Tacoma.

District 2 - *First Tuesday*, monthly luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Galliano's Cucina, 16435 Military Road S., SeaTac.

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Kennewick - *Second Wednesday* of the month, at 11:30 a.m., Old Country Buffet at the south end of the Columbia Center Mall, 1321 N. Columbia Ctr. Blvd., Kennewick.

Yakima - *First month of each quarter, on the 3rd Monday*, 2012 meetings are scheduled for July 16 and October 15. The meeting are at 12 p.m. at Shari's Restaurant, off N. 40th Ave., at 1401 Lakeside Court, Yakima.

District 4 - *Last Wednesday*, monthly breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Longhorn Barbecue Restaurant, W. 7611 Sunset Highway, Spokane.

District 5 - *Second Friday*, monthly breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Oak Tree Restaurant, 1020 Atlantic, Woodland.

District 6 - *Tuesday*, weekly coffee gathering of law enforcement retirees, 9 a.m., Wenatchee Senior Center, 1300 Maple Street, Wenatchee.

District 7 - *Second Tuesday* of every odd month, beginning at 11:30 a.m. At present, the location is changing each time, with one time in Skagit County and the next time in Snohomish County. Please contact District 7 Secretary, Laurie Cashen, at (360) 654-1108, or laurie.cashen@wsp.wa.gov, to find out where and when the next luncheon will be held.

District 8 - *Second Wednesday*, monthly luncheon, noon, Alderbrook Inn, 7101 E., SR 106, Union.

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E-mail received via our Web site to all the graduates of the 99th Trooper Basic Training Class.

Dear Members of the Washington State Patrol:

It pleases me to read about the recent additions to your WSP family. It is comforting to see such a fine group of dedicated professionals take their Oath of Office. Our prayers are with them and all the members of the Washington State Patrol. Thank you for being out there to protect and serve the people of Washington State. May God bless all of you.

Sincerely,

Patrick and Hollie Smith
Olympia, Washington

E-mail received commending Trooper Jarid Holmes, District 7, for his professionalism at a collision scene.

To the Commander, Washington State Patrol District 7, Bellingham Detachment:

Sir or Madam:

Please consider this e-mail as a letter of appreciation for Trooper Jarid Holmes of the Bellingham Detachment of the Washington State Patrol. On January 4 of this year, a reckless driver failed to negotiate a blind curve located on the West Badger Highway just west of the Markworth Road in Whatcom County. His vehicle crashed head-on into mine at high speed. Both occupants of the other vehicle were killed on impact. I sustained relatively minor injuries that

did not require hospitalization. Quite a few emergency responders were involved in the aftermath. Although more than one trooper was present, I dealt mainly with Trooper Holmes who displayed the best example of the professionalism that the Patrol expects. Trooper Holmes is certainly a young trooper that cannot have the many years of experience that causes troopers and many other law enforcement officers to have command presence. Yet, I observed that Trooper Holmes was clearly the person in charge when dealing with myself, aid personnel, and civilian witnesses while investigating this double fatality vehicle crash scene - all without being abrupt or impersonal. The accident scene and bodies did not faze him. He actually took the time to help me with some paperwork and he explained blood draws in such a way that a person would want the blood draw rather than assume something negative about a blood draw. His explanation was as good as that of a seasoned sergeant. This is not meant to take anything away from what I believe were two other troopers on the scene that I did not interact with much, who were certainly professional and probably had significantly more law enforcement experience.

Even to make it into a law enforcement organization of the quality of the Patrol at Trooper Holmes's young age is pretty impressive. Thirty years ago I was a small town police officer for a couple years, spent another year as a charter member of the Northwest Regional Drug Task Force, and was a U.S. Customs Inspector.

Still, in those years I dealt with the WSP Narcotics Investigators, called in the Patrol for their help at serious

injury accidents, received training from WSP training instructors, and requested troopers when incidents were in their jurisdiction. I have seen troopers take charge before, from serious things to things like taking the high road when dealing with a local municipal police department with its nose out of joint that seemed to think that the "State" in Washington State Patrol didn't include their town.

As a citizen, I would prefer to never meet a trooper professionally. It would most likely be a driving infraction or a motor vehicle accident. Having said that, back in the day the Washington State Patrol was the most professional law enforcement agency in Whatcom County and I would have guessed you still are. This has been confirmed by Trooper Holmes's conduct. I would also like to compliment the Troopers who have trained and that lead Trooper Holmes.

Thank you,

Bob Jamesson
Lynden, WA

E-mail received to express appreciation to Trooper Robert Spencer, District 4, for his professionalism.

Good Evening,

I would like to express my appreciation to/for Trooper Spencer.

On, Thursday, April 12, 2012, in the early afternoon, my parents, Rod and Linda Davis, made a report of a "vehicle accident" on our rural road in Northwest Spokane County. The vehicle in question was occupied by three disreputable appearing

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occupants. They were headed east on Owens Rd. (Deer Park, WA) and either lost control, or were driving recklessly, on the gravel road. Their car slid sideways into our alfalfa field, causing damage to our property and breaking the bead on both driver side tires. The occupants drove the vehicle out of the field and proceeded east on the road until they reached the tree line, parking near the end of my parents' driveway. My father called local law enforcement. My mother called my husband and me. We waited at the end of the driveway with the suspicious persons, at least one of which I recognized as a past inmate, and two appeared to be under the influence of drugs.

Trooper Spencer was first on scene. He immediately recognized the type of individuals he was dealing with and was suspicious regarding their purpose on our remote rural road. When Spokane County Deputy Shover arrived, they separated and interviewed the vehicle occupants. Both officers were safety conscious and thorough, working well as a team.

During the last four months, we have had property stolen from our farm, a mile and a half west, a total of three times, costing us several thousand dollars. Needless to say, it has become quite frustrating. We did not share this information with Trooper Spencer or Deputy Shover; however, they realized these were prime burglary/theft suspects. They worked diligently and tirelessly trying to determine the true intent of the vehicle occupants.

What I am not so eloquently saying is our family appreciated the efforts of Trooper Spencer and Deputy Shover. We felt like well-cared-for customers. They both obviously take

pride in their work and care for the citizens they have chosen to serve.

With sincere appreciation,

Kylene Grub
Deer Park, WA

E-mail received thanking Trooper Charles Stewart, District 8, for his assistance.

Hello,

I just wanted to write and inform you of how grateful I was on Sunday April 22, 2012 for the outstanding help I received from Trooper Charles Stewart of your Hoquiam branch during my most unfortunate time of need. When I arrived back at my automobile after filming in the Olympic National Forest off FR2220, I was shocked to find that someone had stolen my spare gas cans and siphoned the gas from my gas tank. I was sadly forced to leave my dog in the car and walk 15 miles to the 101, where I was lucky a passerby gave me a ride to Amanda Park, WA. In a desperate need to return to my car as quickly as possible I asked over 50 people for a ride back and even offered to pay them \$50 for their service, to no avail. I tried the local Indian Reservation police, and the local sheriff also and they both said that it was not their job to help someone in such a situation, even though it was a crime that created this whole situation.

I made one last call to the Washington State Patrol, and they said an officer had responded and was in route and would be there in 90 minutes or less. Trooper Charles Stewart arrived in less than 45 minutes. I

explained the situation, and told him if he could just get me to the National Forest boundary I would walk the remaining 15 miles, but insisted on taking me the entire way. During this drive he was very kind, knowledgeable of your beautiful state, and shared several stories about its wonderful history, which helped to ease my tension created by this whole ordeal.

When arriving at my car I told him I was okay from this point and he could leave, but he insisted on staying until he knew I was back on the road. Thankfully he did, because I had another issue of getting it started as the tank was completely empty and I drained my battery attempting to start it, but not to worry, Trooper Charles Stewart once again was there to assist and helped me get my car started. I and my dog Logan will always be grateful for the service of Trooper Charles Stewart who went above and beyond his job description in my book to help me. It is a good thing there are people like Trooper Charles Stewart in the world to help when people are in time of need. I know I said it before to him personally, but I just wanted it to go on the official record also: Thanks Trooper Charles Stewart, you are a fine example of the "Service With Humility" motto.

Sincerely,

Michael C. Clark & Logan